

TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTIONS REACH AN ALL TIME RECORD

"Gamecock" Home



SERGT. NORMAN WARNER, youngest son of S/Sgt. George and Mrs. Warner who arrived home last week after four years' service overseas. He went across with the "Lincs and Wells", was transferred in England to the "Hasty Petes" and served with that unit in the Italian and European campaigns.

County Rate Will Reduce Next Year

Lincoln County Closes Year With a Surplus Of \$70,000 — Warden Holds Banquet.

The perennial tribute, "the best warden Lincoln County ever had," rang with more sincerity last Friday night than in many a year as compliments were heaped upon Warden Cecil Secord. He was host to about 125 members of county council, officials and friends at the annual warden's banquet at the Hotel Leonard.

Warden Secord modestly shared the credit with his council, which he said had worked energetically with him in a year of progress. He recalled that the county began the year by paying a debenture of \$8,200 which freed the municipality of debt for the first time in 25 years. It had \$70,000 in the bank. "When the end of this year rolls around we'll have practically the

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Final Session Of Town Fathers

Meet For 20 Minutes Saturday Noon — Pass Bylaw To Cut Down The Old Cherry Tree.

Town Council held a 20 minute session at noon Saturday to wind up business for the year.

A by-law was passed granting a lease for 21 years, with option of renewal, to West Lincoln branch Canadian Legion, for the property on Main street east side, at the top of Palmer's Hill, for the erection of a new club house and auditorium.

As there is no George Washington in Grimsby, a by-law was passed authorizing the chopping down of an old cherry tree on Mountain street at the junction of Oak street.

Accounts for \$819 were passed

From November 1st to December 15th, \$37,790 Paid By Ratepayers — Reeve Durham Produces Deed To Prove Township Ownership Of Woolverton Mountain Roadway — Given In 1874 — \$11,520 Expended On Roads During Past Year.

During the past year, every time that the Woolverton mountain road came up for discussion, both in and out of council meetings, the question as to the ownership of certain portions of the road cropped up.

At Saturday session of township council, the last meeting of the year, Reeve Durham tabled a copy of the deed of this road, as secured from the County Registry office, thus clearing up for all time any doubt as to the ownership of this land and whether it encroached on private property or not, which it does not.

This deed was given to the township of Grimsby on August 8th, 1874, by Andrew Hamilton Pettit and his wife Sarah Pettit. It calls for 80/100th of an acre of land running from the Queenston and Grimsby macadamized road. The price paid was \$200. The deed was registered in the Registry Office of the County of Lincoln, at 10 a.m. on December 15th, and is witnessed by William Francis Biggar. The affidavits in connection thereto

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Recommend That Piers Be Built

Would Erect Two New Groyne And Rebuild Beach Pier — Made Of Timber, Filled With Stone.

At township council on Saturday the following letter re the survey being made along the lake shore, was received:

The Reeve and Council, Township of North Grimsby, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

The committee, consisting of R. N. Scrivener, Col. K. Ramsay and Alex A. Young, appointed at your meeting November 17th, 1945, have inspected the lake shore from Fruitland to Jordan Harbour and beg to submit the following inter-

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Returns Home



L.A.C. WALLY SMITH, R.C.A.F., son of Andrew and Mrs. Smith, after three years' service overseas, arrived home last week.

'The Widow's Mite' Helps Hospital

Secretary Scott Receives Anonymous Note Containing \$10.00 — Expresses Thanks Through These Columns.

Mr. Beresford Scott, Secretary of West Lincoln Memorial hospital, is in receipt of a letter through the mail containing a brief note and a ten dollar bill. The note simply read "Please find enclosed \$10 to help the last pull — An Old Woman".

The postmark on the envelope was blurred and Mr. Scott is unable to tell where the missive came from, and certainly he does not know the name of the sender, so cannot acknowledge receipt of same except through these columns.

Mr. Scott and the Directors of the hospital express their thanks to the person sending this money for her kind donation, and may she have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

GRIMSBY FIRE LOSS IS LIGHT

Records Show That It Is The Lowest In The History Of The Village Or Town — Only \$1,910 — No Loss In The Township.

Not in the history of Grimsby—Village and Town—so far as can be traced in the records, has fire loss been as low as this year, ending December 15th.

Secretary Armand A. Hummel of the Fire Department reports that during the year the brigade answered 12 alarms in the town, and the total property fire loss is only \$1,910. Loss or damage to merchandise is not a concern of the fire department insofar as records go.

In the township the department answered only two calls, one of them a grass fire, and there was no property damage at all. Is not this a fine record both for the ratepayers and the fire department.

The loss in the town is made up of \$1,200 at the Hatter house fire on Livingston avenue; \$200 the Thomas Studio blaze in the Snelting block; \$500 to the A & P store.

Grimbsy and North Grimsby citizens can thank themselves for being so fire conscious and also thank their lucky stars that they have a fire department, under Chief Alf. LePage, that is second to none in Ontario for being well trained and efficient. This is reflected in the low insurance rates which we all enjoy.

Presents Warden With New Gavel

Deputy - Reeve George Crittenden Carries Out Custom Of 10 Years — Three In Warden's Contest.

Council closed its busiest year in a long time with the time-honored exchange of compliments and season's greetings. Reeve J. Goodman Pettigrew, South Grimsby, was elected chairman for the occasion, and announced that he expected to retire this year from municipal life after serving on the county council for seven years. Leslie Lymburner, Reeve of Caistor Township expressed his appreciation of Warden Secord for his wise decisions and leadership. Mr. Lymburner announced his intention to seek the wardenship next year. Reeve Roy Saunders, Beamsville

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COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTS \$1000 TO WEST LINCOLN HOSPITAL

Lincoln Will Be The First County To Introduce Victorian Order Of Nurses Service — Will Provide Detention Home For Juvenile Delinquents Awaiting Trial.

Introduction of Victorian Order of Nurses service to Lincoln County, the first county in the province to favor the plan, was discussed last Thursday by the county council, which recommended the proposal to the favorable consideration of the 1946 county council. This was the final act of a busy year by the health committee of council, headed by Reeve Roy Saunders

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Institutions Are In Fine Condition

Grand Jury Makes Minor Recommendations On County Buildings — Prisoners Are Well Fed.

Recommendations for minor improvements at the public institutions in Lincoln County were made by the grand jury following a routine inspection. The grand jury has reported to Judge J. G. S. Stanbury as follows:

The Industrial Home: We inspected the Industrial Home and were pleased to find it in excellent condition, well-managed, with 57 residents, 37 males and 20 females, happy and well cared for, and with economical cost of meals, and the good appearance of the fine stock

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"Where Do We Go From Here?" Boys

Roxy Manager Claims That Picture Showing Last Half Of This Week Is a "Dream".

Art Vickers, manager of the Roxy is all pepped up over the picture that he is showing for the last three days of this week. In conversation with The Independent he quoted:

"Once in a while it is the exhibitor's good fortune to book a 'dream' picture, one that has everything. This is it. The basic idea is as fresh as new-mown hay and the treatment is an consistently novel. The Technicolor photography, in fact, the entire production is just about tops. It should be

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city thereof, you steer into the State of Connecticut, and along the bank of the river called by the same name till you come to its mouth, and to a point which is named from two English lords, a Lord Say and a Lord Brook, who had something to do with this region in early days. Perhaps they planted the Elm trees, of which five survivors stand before this house. At any rate we made this journey on the day indicated reaching our point of destination at ten in the evening, after measuring 485 miles. In the meantime it is quite likely that you had arisen from bed, had come to your office, had written some editorials in your best style, had stepped out to the street to take the place on that scene formerly filled by J. Allan Ballard, and in many other ways completed a use-

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NEW HOSPITAL IS MECCA FOR GREAT THRONGS ON SUNDAY

Home Again



Council Members Seek Re-election

Reeve Durham Definitely In The Field In Township — Nelles For Reeveship Or Retiring.

At North Grimsby Council meeting on Saturday, various members of Council declared themselves regarding their intentions for the forthcoming elections.

Reeve Durham stated that he was definitely in the field for the Reeveship. If returned it will be his 10th year as Chief Magistrate of the township.

Deputy-Reeve Crittenden is also standing for his present position for the 10th time.

Councillor Nelles declared that he was either going to contest the Reeveship or retire from municipal life entirely, but had not definitely decided which course he would follow.

Councillor Aikens is in the field for council.

Councillor Mitchell will again stand for election, mainly to see the Woolverton mountain road question settled for all time, and to see that the lake erosion problem is carried to a conclusion.

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GOVERNMENT WILL INSPECT ALL FRUIT LEAVING DISTRICT

Unmarried Mother Is Big Problem

Children's Aid Has 230 Children In Its Care—Plan Ac-tive Program For Next Year.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Children's Aid Society of St. Catharines and Lincoln county was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 11th.

Mrs. John L. Russell gave a very up-to-date picture of the problem of the unmarried mother in the city of St. Catharines and the county of Lincoln. It was noted that this problem runs through all economic levels, and affects the rich and poor alike. The unmarried mother is helped well.

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Reopens Business



FRANK ANDERSON, recently discharged from the Royal Canadian Navy has re-opened his business, Anderson Motor Sales, on Main west, opposite St. Andrew's avenue.

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Decentralize The Provincials

That Suggestion Endorsed By County Council — Would Spread Men Throughout The County.

Decentralization of provincial police from St. Catharines to outlying parts of the county was urged last Friday by Lincoln County Council at its closing session of the year. Representatives of towns and townships throughout the county felt that they needed more police protection than they have at the present time, and advocated transfer of some of the St. Catharines provincial police staff to strategic centres outside the city.

A committee was appointed to interview the provincial police in

Over 600 Residents Of District Pleased And Surprised At What They Saw—Warden Cecil Secord Officially Unlocks The Door That Will Always Welcome The Suffering — Ladies' Auxiliary Have Well Stocked Linen Closets.

Despite the fact that the thermometer stood at well below zero Sunday morning, approximately 600 people turned out in the afternoon to see the West Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

A representative group of Councillors of municipal bodies from Grimsby to Jordan, and South to Caistor and Gainsboro, were met at the door by the Officers and Directors of the Hospital. Mr. A. R. Globe presented the door key to Mr. Cecil Secord, Warden of Lincoln County, requesting him to open the Hospital for the use of the public. Mr. Globe stated that the Hospital was made possible first through the generosity of the late Mr. C. J. Eames, who donated the building and property. He thanked the Warden for the support of the Municipalities, and the public, who had shown their sincerity of purpose in supporting their own Hospital.

Mr. Secord unlocked the door, stating they were proud to possess such a fine institution in the County.

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Home This Week



LIEUT. T. E. JARVIS, a member of the 43rd Battery, R.C.A.F., of Guelph, son of C. D. and Mrs. Jarvis, Kerman avenue, who arrived home this week from long service overseas.

Old Apple Man Leaves For Home

John W. Richardson, New Past Four Score Mark Goes Back To England To Retire.

Mr. John W. Richardson, who for the past 26 years has been a resident of this district, 25 of which he operated a small fruit farm on the mountain top, left Grimsby on Monday for his old home in England, where he is due to arrive on Christmas Day.

Mr. Richardson is an old Imperial army man and fought for the Empire in the Boer War and the First Great War, as well as in many of Britain's minor campaigns. He holds personal letters from King Edward VII, King George V, Edward, Prince of Wales, King George VI. He served

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Children Should Not Be On Creek

Ice On Creek And Pond Is Positively Not Safe — Residents Getting Jitters.

Residents of lower Ontario street and the lake have had the jitters the past three or four days, caused from watching young children skating on the very thin ice of the creek and the pond. Ice that is positively not thick enough to carry even the light weight of a small kid, still somehow to date it has held.

Why parents allow their children to go skating on the creek and pond, when surely they must know that the ice is too thin, is beyond comprehension, particularly in view of the fact that these children get so many hours free skating a week at the Arena, where they are safe from all harm.

As one resident told The Independent, "I see these kids from my kitchen window. If I saw one of them go through the ice, by the

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FIRE CHIEF WARNS OF HORROR OF FIRE AT CHRISTMAS TIME

An appeal for care from fire during the Christmas season is issued by Fire Chief Alfred LePage. "Most fires occur from special Christmas lighting, particularly candles," he said. "Examine lighting circuits designed for tree illumination for defects in insulation. Constant watch by adults should be maintained over them when lighted. The location of the Christmas tree should be given some consideration."

"The tree should be kept away from fireplaces, stoves, and doorways through which you may have to pass in the event of a fire. Remember that an evergreen tree dries out quickly in a heated room, which adds to the hazard of fire. This can be prevented to some extent by placing the base of a tree in a pan of water."

"Paper or other inflammable decorations should be kept to a minimum and never strung in an unbroken chain around a room, because if once ignited it will spread with great rapidity. The disposal of paper wrappings immediately into covered metal cans, or burnt in a furnace in small quantities at a time, is also a safe practice."

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Frank Fairborn, Jr.

THE DEBT

There is no man so rushed with work, Nor in such high demand, Nor is there woman, single, wed, With tasks at every hand— No doctor, lawyer, merchant, chief, Who can afford to give No thought, no time, no aid unto The town in which they live.

THE FRIENDLY HANDCLASP

At Christmas time folks just naturally suffer from that good old-fashioned malady—enlargement of the heart—giving themselves freely to the merriment and good fellowship which makes the whole world kind. Rich and poor alike are affected by it, and it becomes infectious on the slightest provocation. Rigid conventions relax under its spell and the friendly hand-clasp—when it is most needed—is accepted as the season's best and most treasured gift.

Let the bag of nuts the bachelor is carrying break its bonds, and litter the floor of the street car, spontaneous laughter ripples forthwith and strangers are chatting together with the intimacy of neighbors. Touched by the breath of geniality, sympathetic cords are loosened and a hundred eyes dim with tears as pedestrians witness the tragedy of a curly-headed, blue-eyed doll slip from its wrappings and crash to the pavement with the shabbily dressed woman stopping in confusion to gather the fragments.

In the great city, where loneliness is taken for granted, the little stenographer from the country, who couldn't make the home journey in a week-end, bubbles over with joy at the kindness of her employer who invites her to share the merrymaking in his own home. The old people—too feeble to stand the excitement of going out to dinner and too reduced in circumstances to invite guests to make merry with them in their humble cottage will always remember the red-letter Christmas the young couple came knocking at their door abegging the opportunity to roast the turkey in grandma's oven.

Truly the much-needed hand-clasp is best and the world of men needs the glow and warmth of the Christmas season to help them realize all those finer human relationships and those simple human experiences that are so satisfying. They take men out of themselves and multiply their joys because they share them.

Perhaps we have not been very unselfish or kindly or considerate during the year, but that furnishes all the greater reason why we should yield ourselves up to the giving of much-needed hand-clasps while the Christmas season is on, and if we do so generously who knows but that we may build a habit that will stay with us long after Christmas is gone.

REMEMBER THE WOODSHED?

A professor, talking recently to a group of parents, deplored the fact that architects have overlooked the importance of the woodshed in their house designs. Of course, the professor was looking for a laugh—and he got it.

The woodshed was more than a storehouse for the winter's supply of firewood. It was the place for putting things you were going to throw away or had planned to take to the barn when you had the time. Of course, you never did either. That's why the old lantern still hung on the side of the wall, nicely coated with cobwebs, and why a pair of sleigh bells dangled from an overhead beam, and bits of leather, wire, tin, and lumber roosted here and there. The fellow with the woodshed always had what he wanted when he needed it!

The woodshed had its unforgettable odor. Its earthy floor, seasoned with chips of pine and maple and the dry bark of oak and beech gave off a rich nostril-tingling aroma. While some took pride in long, neat rows of wood, more often the wood sprawled over the floor in an arc around the chopping block.

Summer or winter, the woodshed was a haven from sudden storms. It was the place



Merry Christmas.

Colored lights make a fine showing.

Some beautiful Christmas decorated windows.

Christmas shoppers loaded down like pack horses.

Norm. Harris, acting Canadian Pacific Express Agent. Doing a good job too.

When asked why he won't run for council Andy Anderson replies "I haven't the time to spare."

Vic Thompson beaming like a full moon. Township farmers must be coming through in fine style with their taxes.

Two o'clock in the a.m. Chief Turner peeking in the windows of The Independent to see if it is burglars, or the staff still working. No arrests were made.

This is a new wrinkle. H. Gladstone Mogg shaking hands with both fins. Is he wishing people their Christmas and New Year's greeting at one time or is it the Reeve'ship or the Mayorality?

you knocked the mud or snow from your boots before entering the house. It was the place you hung your overalls and fishing tackle.

The problem is, we suppose, to adapt the woodshed and its purposes to the age of apartments and city dwellings. And we aren't thinking solely of the purpose to which the professor referred.

SWEET MYSTERY OF LIFE AND WOMEN IN POLITICS.

Never before as today have women expressed to such a refined degree their historical tradition of exquisite madness and fantastic realism. If there is one person who can get off the beam and make a three-point landing it's a woman.

A representative of the North Waterloo Women's Progressive Conservative Association, for example, blandly admits that when the ladies organized themselves all they knew was that they wanted "things" done, and that their knowledge of politics weighed no more than a stuffed olive. Yet they got "things" done.

The amazing thing is that they'll battle grimly on the issue of public health, then pay a perfumed professional commando to pour hot liquid paraffin wax all over them in the belief that it's good for them. They lie swathed in the seething stuff for fifteen minutes hoping that their pores will open, and human flesh being what it is, the pores naturally scream wide open. In the olden days stout-hearted men howled when boiling oil was poured on them, and nowadays women sue for divorce and draw alimony because of "cruelty," but they'll allow a total stranger to baste them with boiling wax and adore the punishment.

They'll fight sternly on the issue of economy, then pay a fabulous sum for a select smell in a fancy bottle with a fatuous name. They'll wage war on the issue of education but they're sold on a moronic blurb in the style of boudoir whimsy written under the influence of hashish. They'll belligerently demand equality with men, then dab themselves behind the ears because the man who wrote the blurb about the smell says it's divinely feminine, irresistibly languorous and enchantingly vague.

They'll engage with all their vocal strength any issue on public morals and decency, they'll clothe the statues, then go out on the beach in a two-piece job which dazzles the eye before knocking it out.

The wonder of it all is they succeed.

Penned and Pilfered

We can buy anything except Health.

It is true your husband is the one who makes the money—but did you ever stop to think you are the one who can do much to keep your husband well and insure the family income.

If our hogs die we can get some more
If our car is stolen we can get another
one

If our home burns down we can rebuild
it

But—if our own body gives way, it can
not be replaced

—Nature gives us only ONE BODY.

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ment of Agriculture for the doing away of the leno covers with something more suitable.

The Ontario Minister of Agriculture's proposal was brought before the gathering by George Wilson, Director of the Food branch. The speaker said, the minister is desirous of putting the fruit industry on a strong basis and has sent me here with the following points. That the red tarlatan cover will have to be dropped; that the year 1946 being a year of readjustment, the red cover may be allowed until stocks are depleted.

Reeve George Wiley, Louth, said leno can be removed on a portion of a basket when it is on display.

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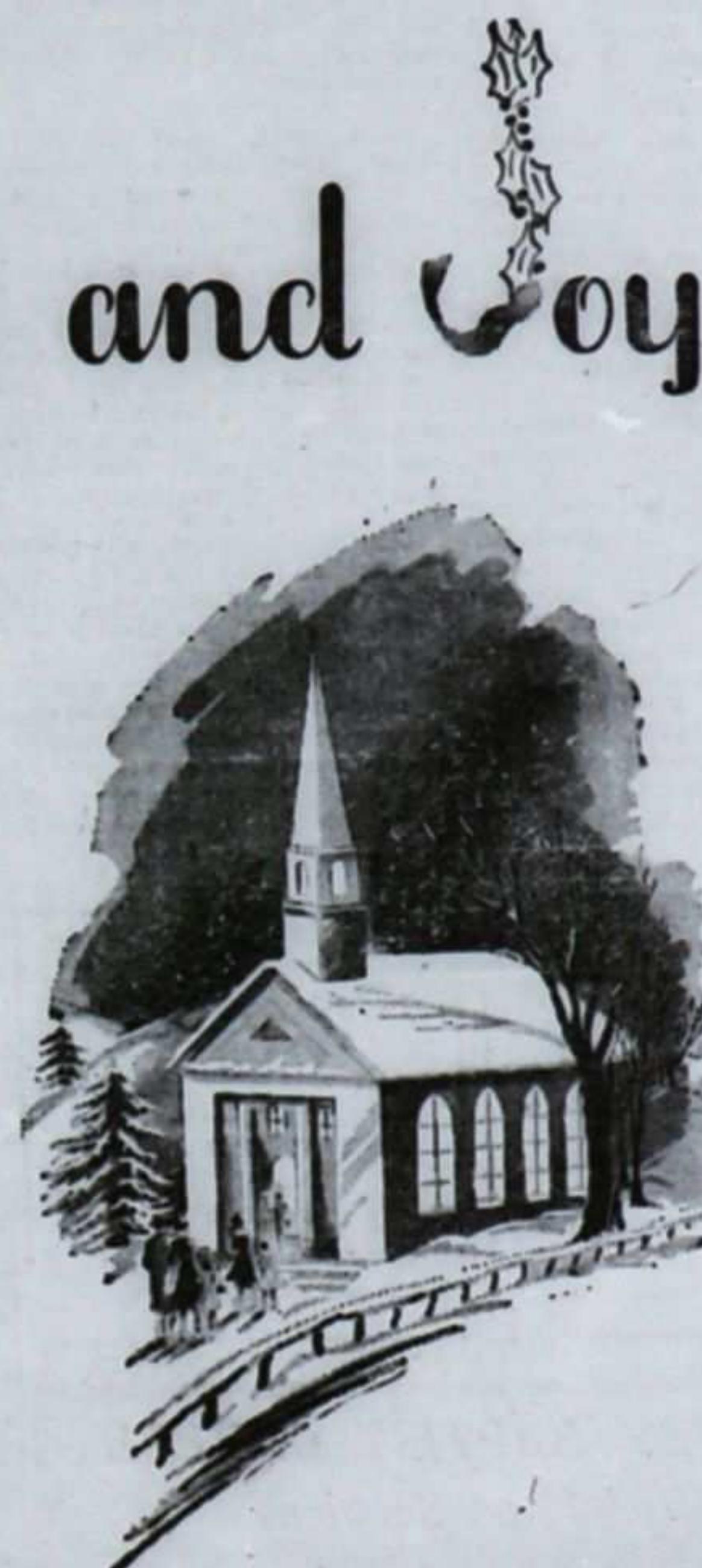
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Management of Edgecombe

CONTINUATIONS

From Page One

REV. NEIL LECKIE

ful day. There are indeed many ways of filling days usefully. This is a Sunday morning, with church in the offing, but at half past nine, and breakfast gone, I sit at my window with a glance now and then out to the Atlantic Ocean, and the pleasant duty of a letter to you, which you need not

acknowledge unless the spirit do move you. One of the best correspondents I have ever had never wrote me a line. This was a wonderful elderly unmarried lady who would tell me when I saw her that I was just to imagine that as she was reading my letters she was answering them, which after all is a sound philosophy. And as for this

ocean out to my right a wise man once wrote that by watching the sea you enter into a world of repentence, forgiveness, and purification, the great waters never resting from their priest-like task. I must find some suitable place on the shore for these emotions, also marking the movement of the tides though to tell the truth I have not yet caught the real smell of the sea anywhere along this shore. But I will sniff again in hope of the real flavour.

Inside this house I am in a realm of theology. Our daughter's Edith's husband's father was a Clergyman of the American Episcopal Church, and in this fine old dwelling which still belongs to his family, I find his library. Here, for example is a thick volume entitled "Pearson on the Creed," the said Pearson being an English Church Bishop of the last century, whose erudition must have been vast, and if you wish to know all about the descent into Hell, and other related subjects, just apply to me. Or if you wish to hear of a certain small Monday morning discussion between J. Allan B. and myself, and a stout argument which I find here in support of my side of the controversy, again apply to this house. Only it is too late for me to further contradict or to enlighten my dear friend. But of course he has gone to the region in which all such disputation are solved, and all such enlightenments are made to shine in all their glory. In this library also a huge Prayer Book Dictionary stares me in the face, ready to answer all my difficulties, and yours. So when I end this letter, and go to Church, I will give myself to a session with some more of these venerable tomes.

And not far door I find a gentleman who is taking a Sabbatical year from his duties on the staff of some College to improve his mind. He is strong on Dante's Inferno, so again I can make a descent to a lower region, in good company. But before I go I must complete at least two of my articles for my editor in Toronto, whose ghost always seem to stand pointing to the calendar. Which posture I am sure you well know, your Thursdays coming with such regularity.

We stay here a few weeks longer Edith's husband being due from overseas within a fortnight. Then we shift our tent by rail to Ithaca, in which place our daughter Katharine and her family, including your friend and admirer, Dave, are now established. I think I mentioned to you that Katharine's husband has just been appointed to the staff of Cornell University,

and their home will make a convenient place for a pause in what would be a somewhat complicated journey without a break. And so back to Kerman Avenue, probably before Christmas. We have had a message from our good neighbour Mr. Jarvis. He keeps however a kindly eye on our dwelling when we are away.

And I wonder if Mrs. Morrison would either ask the Post Office people to send our copies of the Independent, which must still be lying there. They forward letters but nothing else. Or perhaps she would get them back and send them herself, along with this week's paper in one packet. Thank you for printing the item about my cousin, who we have just heard is now in a hospital in Christ Church, New Zealand, getting rebuilt. We are hoping that he will come this way, when he turns face-toward Scotland.

And now we have been at Church, and are back in time to go to a neighbour's house for dinner. The minister of the church here was sick and an old fossilized gentleman preached. He made one pretty blunder, telling the congregation that it was the prophet Jeremiah at whom the kids in the street cried out "Go up! thou bald head." Now of course it was not Jeremiah. Who was it? If you were to make a mis-statement of that kind in your sermons, some one would write to "Dear Mr. Editor," and put you right.

My family join in all kind regard to yourself and your Mother, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours faithfully,
Neil M. Leckie

JUDGE'S PARENTS

"In lieu of that we have accomplished a good work. I'm not afraid to say with respect to juvenile delinquency that we stand ahead of any other county in Ontario. The probation officer reported to me recently that of 27 boys and girls who came within our jurisdiction and had to be dealt with, only one became a repeater. That's a record to be proud of."

He paid tribute to service clubs whose members act as "Big Brothers" and assist the young people to lead decent lives. Magistrate J. H. Campbell, K.C. promptly remarked that in his court, which deals with accused above juvenile age, the situation was not so favorable. He recalled that only yesterday he had sent three young men to penitentiary for long terms on charges of armed robbery with violence.

"My experience for 20 years in

COUNTY RATE
same surplus as last year," he reported. "And we've spent some money this year. We've spent more on roads than any time in the past five years. We started the health unit, painted the county buildings and are now working on new washrooms in the court house. In the face of that, we lowered the tax rate one mill."

Old dad seldom looks forward to Christmas as he realizes most of the bills are going to fall in his lap.

The ratepayers of the county can look forward next year to a further reduction unless something unforeseen arises. The province this year is paying up to 50 percent of

the cost of education, and next year, when the county pays its share of the 1945 school taxes we will feel the first benefits of this assistance in county council."

An old-timer is the one who can recall when a couple could dance without throwing each other around in the air.



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Merry Christmas.

Be sure and send in your Christmas visitors, or if away let us know.

Master Billy Campbell spent the weekend with his Aunt and Uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sweet.

Harold C. Woolverton left on Sunday night to spend the winter in his orange grove at Mentone, Cal.

Mrs. F. J. Thomson (Beamsville) Mrs. Bruce Reid, Mrs. F. B. Sutherland and Miss Marion Duncan were hostesses on Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. Thomson, at a shower in honour of Miss Mary Tufford, whose marriage to Fit-Lieut. J. E. Ross, of Vancouver, takes place shortly.

Mrs. Augusta Duvall, Fern Cottage, Livingston avenue, celebrated the 88th anniversary of her birth on Wednesday, December 12th, when she was at home to her many friends, of which a goodly number called to pay their respects. She was assisted in receiving by her sister Mrs. A. H. Russ, and her daughter Mrs. Herbert Glover of Fruitland. Mrs. Robert Beamer and Mrs. Ellis Fair assisted at the tea table. Mrs. Duvall was the recipient of many congratulatory cards, flowers and fruit.

Gospel Hall

Adelaide St., Grimsby

LORD'S DAY

Breaking of Bread 11 a.m.
Sunday School 3 p.m.
Gospel Meeting 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting and Bible Reading, 8 p.m.
All Welcome

St. John's Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

11 a.m. — "Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh."
2:30—Sunday School.
7 p.m.—"The Virgin Birth".

GRIMSBY BAPTIST CHURCH

Christmas Services

10 a.m.—Church School for all.

11 a.m.—"The Greatest Gift of All."

7 p.m.—"Candlelight Christmas Pageant."

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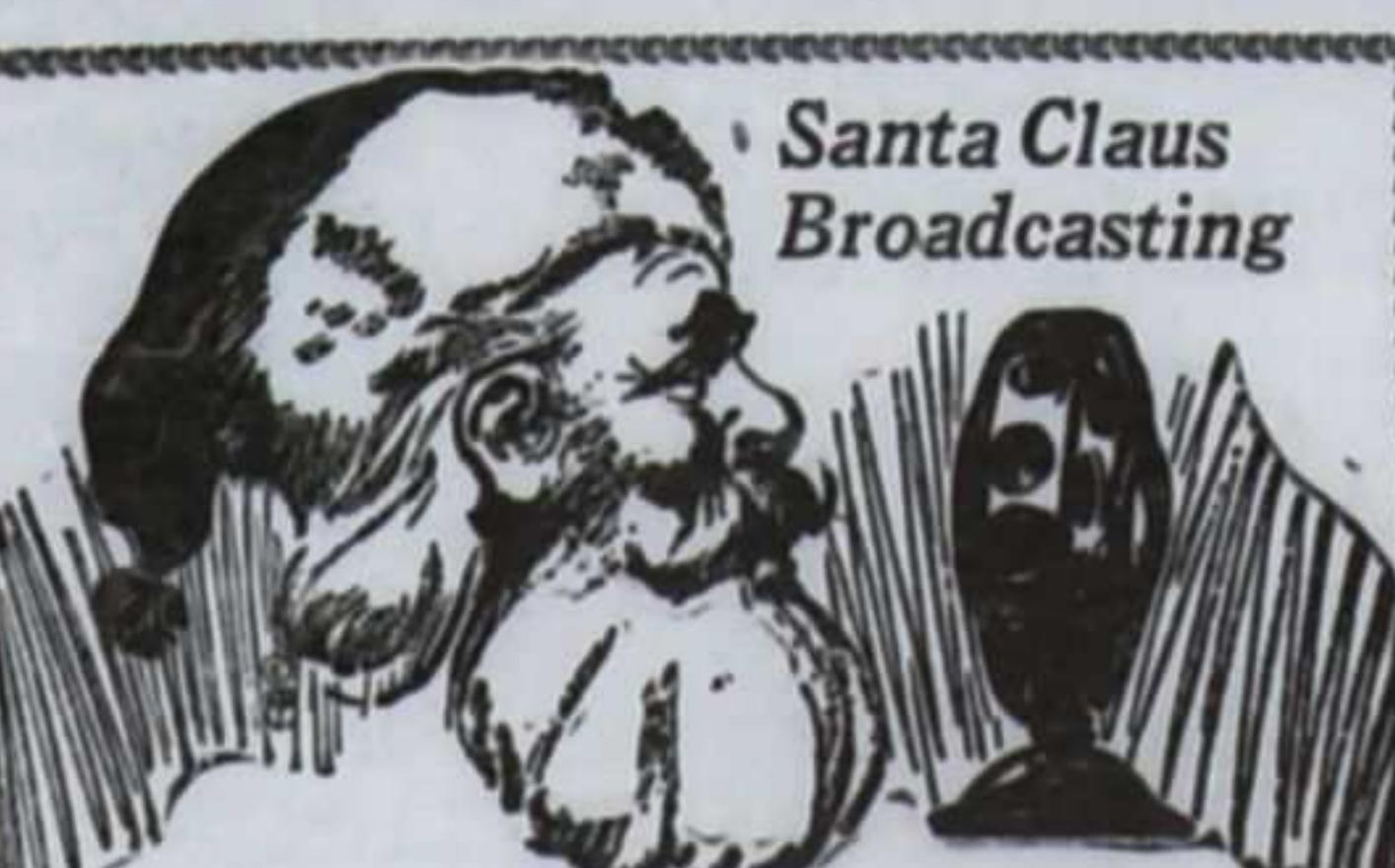
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The Village Inn is sold out solid for their big New Year's Eve dinner and dance.

The annual At-Home of Grimsby High school is being held in the school auditorium this evening.

Wm Lewis, son of Reeve C. W. and Mrs. Lewis, Lakefield school, Peterboro is home for the Christmas holidays.

We regret to report that J. H. "Banty" Culp suffered a seizure at his home on Wednesday night last and is confined to his bed.

Major Arthur K. and Mrs. Kembar of Toronto visited with his aunt Mrs. Isabell Livingston on Wednesday. Major Kembar has just returned from five years service overseas with the Royal Canadian Artillery. He came home to Canada on the same boat with Major Frank T. Shoebridge.

Rfm. Nick Kalynuk, who joined the services three years ago, saw action in the invasion on D-Day and in the European theatre and was wounded there, returned to Grimsby Tuesday to pay a short visit with his uncles, William and Andrew Palmer. Rfm. Kalynuk is well known here, having worked at Merritt's Basket factory. He left Wednesday for his home in Saskatchewan.

Grimsby Girl In Charge Of New Library



Pictured here is Miss Myrtle Forman of the Red Cross library which was opened last week. Toronto Public Library staff, helping Lorne Browne, H. and Mrs. Forman, Livingston avenue, and well a Christie Street hospital patient, select a book known to Grimsby citizens.

We are pleased to report that "Mac" Allan who has been confined to Hamilton hospital for the past month was able to return home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Thomas Milne and Mrs. Vera Phillips of Hamilton were visiting their sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sweet last week.

Mrs. Hugh Kelson, of Hamilton, wishes to extend heartiest season's greetings to all her old friends in Grimsby and the district and expresses the hope that their New Year will be a healthy, happy and prosperous one.

At the Grand Chapter of Ontario, Order of the Eastern Star, at the 30th session held in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, last week, Mrs. Edrie Gowland of Grimsby was appointed Grand Warder.

The drawing on the quilt, which the Ladies Auxiliary of West Lincoln Memorial hospital have been selling tickets, took place in The Independent office on Tuesday morning and Miss Pearl Coyle, 28 Elizabeth street was the lucky winner. The Ladies Auxiliary realized a tidy little sum for their efforts.

Mothers' Club

The Mothers Club Christmas party will be held at the Parish Hall on Friday, Dec. 21st at 3 p.m. Mrs. J. S. Rummery

Children's Party

A Children's Party will be given by the West Lincoln branch Canadian Legion in the Masonic Hall on December 26th at 7 p.m., to all children of ex-servicemen and their parents. Those who plan to attend should notify Comrade G. Warner of the number of children they will bring so that due provision can be made.



Muptials

MCNIVEN—JEFFRIES

White chrysanthemums, red carnations and lighted candles formed an effective background in Trinity United Church, Grimsby, for the marriage Friday evening of Kathryn Mary, daughter of H. C. Jeffries, Grimsby, formerly of Toronto, to Mr. James William McNiven, Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McNiven, Grimsby. Rev. W. J. Watt officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a smart wool suit of soft-grey-green, black accessories and corsage of gardenias. Miss Alison Jeffries, maid of honor for her sister, chose a frock of fuchsia wool, with Talisman rose corsage. Mr. Lewis McNiven was groomsman for his brother.

A reception followed at "Cherry-lawn," home of the bride's father. The couple will live in Toronto.

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Trinity W.M.S.

The Christmas meeting of Trinity United Woman's Missionary Society was held in Trinity Hall last Thursday afternoon with a good attendance and the President Mrs. Burgess in the chair.

A Christmas programme of Readings and Carol Singing was followed by the election of officers.

The officers for the New Year are as follows:

Pres. Mrs. Burgess; 1st Vice-Pres. Mrs. Millar; 2nd Vice-Pres. Mrs. Wells; Sec. Mrs. J. Theal; Treas. Mrs. B. Snyder; Corresponding sec., Mrs. Spencer Merritt; Temperance Sec., Mrs. Aikens; Literature Sec., Mrs. Murphy; Sec. of Finance and Stewardship, Mrs. Emm; Supply Sec., Mrs. Caton; Pianist, Mrs. Boden.

The ladies of the Society were

happy to present a Life Membership Certificate to Mrs. Murphy. In making the presentation, Mrs. Watt spoke of Mrs. Murphy's untiring efforts, and faithful service in the Missionary Society and the Sunday School as well. Mrs. Aikens spoke also of Mrs. Murphy's interest and enthusiasm in W.C.T. work, being President of that organization in Grimsby.

The meeting concluded with plans for the W.M.S. work for the New Year.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness during my stay in the hospital. And to those who so generously gave their blood I say "Many Thanks."

"Mac" Allan

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Eastern Star

Grimsby Chapter, O.E.S., represented by Mrs. David Cloughley, convenor of the Patriotic Committee, assisted by Mrs. Arthur Clark, Mrs. Lawrence Hyser and Mrs. Donald Beamer, were gratefully welcomed by the staff and the patients of Gage Avenue Military Hospital, Hamilton, on Thursday last, where they distributed treats to approximately 160 patients.

The annual Christmas party for the members and their families of Grimsby Chapter No. 195, O.E.S. was held in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, with Mrs. Arthur Clark and Mrs. Geo. Doucett in charge of the entertainment, consisting of games for the children and a contest, which was won by Harley Harrison.

Carols were also sung. Bags of candy and oranges were given to the children, while the members exchanged gifts from a lighted IN MEMORIUM

Christmas tree. Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. L. Chambers and committee.

St. John's W.M.S.

A meeting for election of officers was held on December 13th at the Church rooms.

The following officers were elected:

Honorary President, Mrs. McAvoy; President, Mrs. Dick; 1st Vice President, Miss Phillips; Secretary Mrs. Burke; Treasurer, Mrs. Dunham; "Glad Tidings" Secretary, Mrs. Reece; Home Helpers Secretaries Mrs. McKenzie and Mrs. Wray; Supply Secretary, Mrs. Tait; Welcome and Welfare Secretaries Mrs. Sangster and Mrs. Reece; Pianista, Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Young; Cradle Roll Superintendent, Mrs. Stevenson; Press, Mrs. Stevenson.

Birthday Party

A few friends paid a surprise visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hayward on the occasion of the latter's birthday. A pleasant evening was spent playing cards. Prize winners being Mrs. A. Hermiton and Mr. W. West. After a dainty lunch a lovely gift was presented from all. Mrs. Hayward thanked all her friends for their kindness.

In Memoriam

SWEET—In loving memory of a dear Dad, Alex. Sweet, who passed away so suddenly December 23rd, 1925.

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Christmas At Old St. Andrew's**CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT PAGEANT AT BAPTIST CHURCH**

"O'er Desert Sands," a Christmas pageant, telling the story of the Magi's journey to find the promised King, will be given in the Baptist church, Grimsby, next Sunday night at the regular evening Service.

This story, old yet ever new, will be presented in song, dialogue, tableau and narrative. With youthful ardor and courage these Kings of the Orient fare forth on their long journey, laden with costly treasure. Their spiritual experiences on mountain, plain and desert are depicted by the Phantoms of Desolation and Faith.

In the closing scenes the Star of Hope and the Spirit of Faith still lead 20th century adventurers on toward goals that the coming of Christ made possible for men.

"Life is a challenge and its course shall ever be along steep mountain heights and valleys cold; but ever onward to a glorious goal."

The arrangement and direction of this sacred pageant is in charge of Mrs. L. J. Pettit who has had considerable experience in directing Biblical drama and religious and historical pageantry.

I Want To Hear Old Band Play

The last two issues of this paper carried a picture of the old Grimsby band. Two of the men in the band we could not name. Now we learn that the one stout gentleman, the first unknown in the picture, is the late Melvin Book. We are also informed that William Marsh is not dead, but is very much alive and residing in Fort Meyers, Fla.

So once more through divers Media the holy gospel of Blessed Christmastide will be proclaimed—on this the first Christmas after victory in east and west following the long and bitter years of war. It is the age old worship of the Word made flesh for us men and for our Salvation—still the only Saviour, the Prince of Peace.

License Plates

Motor vehicle permits and drivers' licenses will go on sale in Ontario Jan. 2. Highways Minister George Doucett announced last week. New registration plates will have a black background with white figures. Only one plate will be issued for each car this year, since wartime restrictions will not yet permit release of sufficient steel for two. By 1947, however, it is expected that Ontario cars again will carry two plates, one front and one rear, because police authorities agree that the front plate is of considerable value to them in checking motorists, the Minister stated.

Thos. W. Allan, Clerk

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On And After

JANUARY 2nd

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SATURDAY NIGHT
9 O'CLOCK

Closed Wednesday Afternoons



WE WISH TO REMEMBER THE IDEAL OF "GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN" ESPECIALLY IN THIS YEAR OF VICTORY. A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND MAY THE NEW YEAR, BEFORE IT IS OVER, BRING US ALL HAPPINESS.

HOTEL GRIMSBY

Gordon Hannah, Prop.

SPORTOLOGY

(By Bones Livingston, Sportologist)

MERRY CHRISTMAS, SPORT FANS.

SELGEK, SAMTSIRHC YRREM—And waiter, two foamy ones for LITTLE WHIZZER.

REMEMBER THIS—The ARENA will not be open for skating, or other wise, on Christmas Eve. Christmas Day or New Year's Day. But you can skate the old year out and the new year in, if you are able, at a grand New Year's Eve skating party. The festivities will start at 9.30 p.m.

HIGHER MATHEMATICS—That Pacific Coast Hockey League must have quite a schedule. Vancouver in first place have played 22 games. San Francisco in last place have played 10 games, San Diego in third hole 7 games. What sort of horse and buggy business is that? Nevertheless it is an idea for RUSHTON. Why not keep your team in third place and then they will be fresh and rarin' to go when the play-downs come.

PEACH QUEEN'S ARE SHOWING THE MEN UP—Take a gander at the scores of the PEACH QUEEN'S league this week. Find me another ladies' league in this country that can produce the bowlers that are in this league. . . . Last week no less than 23 of the lassies bowled games of 200 or better, some of the girls have two games of over 200. Than to cop all five girls had triples well over 600, they being Kay Pyndyk with 603, EMILY IRISH with 603, BUD ELMER with 671, MARY NORTON with 684, HELEN FISHER with 694. . . . Some of you men bowlers better pull in your horns, you're outclassed. There were only two teams in the league with a team score less than 2000.

GUN WARS ARE OVER, NOW FOR THE HOCKEY WARS—For the first time since the winter of 1940, guaranteed, genuine C.C.M. skates and boots are now on sale in GRIMSBY. Last Saturday HONEY SHELTON received his first shipment of these famous hockey outfits and there are more on the way. THE LITTLE SHOEMAKER cannot say how many more pairs he will be getting but he will be getting his share with the other C.C.M. dealers in the district. . . . Old followers of the PEACH KINGS will recall the night that JERRY CARSON in one of his whirlwind dashes up the ice suddenly lost his pants. He nearly duplicated the performance on Friday night while on the ice coaching the KINGS. He leaned over a little too far to pick up the puck and rip-p-p-p-p, yard or two yards. . . . PEACH KINGS blow the lid off the hockey season on Friday night and the tilt promises to be a real exhibition for a pre-season game. The visiting firemen will be the St. Catharines Legion team. This outfit have a bye in the Intermediate O.H.A. "A" series and are supposed to be a strong fast travelling crew. Several members of this team are players off of last year's senior Saints and that means something. KINGS are rapidly rounding into shape and while no set team has been picked you can bet your life that RUSH will ice the best he has. This game will give the fans a chance to see what the KINGS for 1946 are going to be like as well as having the first chance in three years to witness a hockey game at home. There should be a full house for this game. . . . THOMASINE WARNER is still in the air force and it does not look like the Old Batter will be back at the ARENA this winter unless the Air Force folds up entirely. . . . PEACH BUDS juvenile team got into action for the first time last night. This team is playing in the Hamilton Juvenile league and from all reports they are a smart bunch of kids and will be right in the middle of the fight. These kids are the PEACH KINGS of future years.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD—Officers and executive members of the WEST LINCOLN HOCKEY ASSOCIATION in heavy session on Wednesday night last, settled for all time the question of doing away or not doing away with the name PEACH KINGS. Their decision was a satisfactory one to everybody. The team, no doubt being called most anything by the fans when they lose, will definitely be the WEST LINCOLN PEACH KINGS. This is as it should be. There is no gainsaying the fact that just as high quality peaches, and bum ones too, are grown in Clinton township as are grown in North Grimsby. I had a very fine exemplification of this fact last September when Pep Shepard, The Voice of Beamsville, sent me a hamper of the most luscious peaches ever grown. Two weeks later I got a bill for them. . . . But joshing aside, it would have been a caleamitous move from a public standpoint for this district to have done away with the name PEACH KINGS. That name is hung high on the sporting scrolls of hockey and softball. In hockey it is known from coast to coast, and wherever and whenever it is mentioned throughout this broad land, the people think of the FRUIT BELT. . . . In years to come, hockey and ball teams from the Belt will continue to blazon the name across the great expanse of Canada. So therefore why destroy all the publicity benefit that it has taken close onto 36 years to build up. Fortunately it is not going to be done. Also, the RUSHTON RAMBLERS will be clad in the old familiar color of Red and White. A set of colors that have been defeated but never disgraced. . . . Here is a secret in connection with the name PEACH KINGS. I have always been given credit for creating that euphonious name. In this the public erred. That name was coined in the winter of 1910 and given to me for publicity purposes by the late H. H. Wylie, who had been a newspaperman and publicity personage in Cleveland, O. and had come to this district and purchased old Grimsby Park which he converted into a huge amusement park. His argument was that it was a smooth, sweet sounding name and thoroughly typified the district which sporting or other organizations represented. It told its own story. And down through the years his argument has proven true. So on with the PEACH KINGS and the Intermediate "B", O.H.A. championship.

Peach Queens
Bowling League

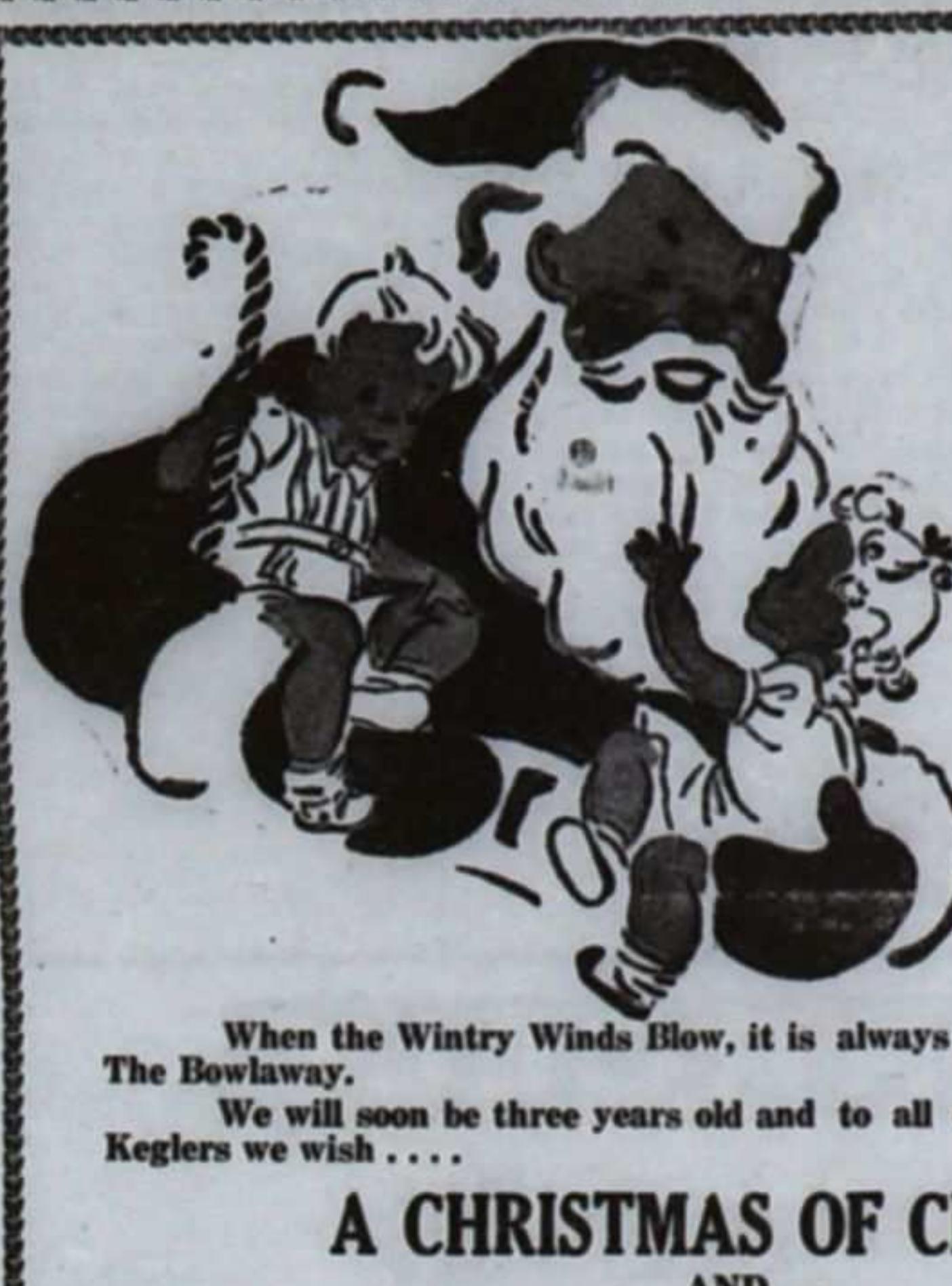
Victory	758	661	814-1
South Haven	813	755	696-2
Vimy	802	873	800-3
Golden Drop	758	745	644-0
Elbertas	767	772	653-2
Vanguard	623	716	717-1
Veterans	699	761	732-0
Valiants	885	778	873-3
Mayflower	579	622	573-1
Vedette	812	517	587-2
Rochester	645	684	718-0
St. John	800	692	784-3
Viceroy	722	962	942-3
Ad. Dewey	691	861	855-0
Crawford	822	732	817-2
John Hall	744	915	727-1
High average—Mary Norton	213		
High Triple—Mary Norton	789		
High single—Kay Pyndyk	346		
Special prize—High triple for week—Helen Fisher	694		

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Grimsby Men's
Bowling Scores

Legion	default
St. Andrews	993 863 1099-4
Barbers	965 1058 906-3
Generals	1045 971 885-1
Peach Kings	991 939 1047-4
Nail Punchers	770 711 990-0
Wonders	1213 990 978-2
Monarchs	856 1046 1046-2
Legionaires	873 905 934-3
You Dee Ellis	917 973 865-1
Wonders	982 1033 1069-3
Owls Club	1041 911 863-1
Pin Twisters	861 1021 959-1
Iron Dukes	938 965 1076-3
Barbers	962 1006 892-1
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League Standing

Black Cats	868	937	846-3
C. Hoppers	1028	646	806-1
Hep Cats	765	1025	1013-3
Firemen	879	904	858-1
U. D. L.	982	863	794-0
Owls Club	995	920	901-4

Men's league do not bowl Christmas week and New Year's week. There will be open bowling Monday night and Wednesday night Christmas week, and open bowling Monday, New Year's and Wednesday night days.

Grimbsy Peach Kings, skipped by William Schwab, turned back by Jim Gibb, of First United, of Hamilton, by a score of 30 to 13 in an indoor bowling league game Friday night. The ranks:

Grimbsy—A. Clark, B. Harvey, B. Snyder, W. Schwab—30.

First United—A. Wray, F. Moore, W. Corp, J. Gibb—13.

Thursday, December 27th
7.30—Viceroy vs. Vedettes.
7.30—Mayflower vs. Ad. Dewey.
9.00—Victory vs. Veterans.
9.00—Rochester vs. John Hall.

Friday, December 28th
7.30—Golden Drop vs. Elbertas.
7.30—South Haven vs. Valiants.
9.00—St. John vs. Crawford.
9.00—Vanguard vs. Vimy.

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The Arena Will Not Be Open on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

Exhibition Hockey

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21st

ST. CATHARINES LEGION

Versus

PEACH KINGS

8.30 P.M.

HOTEL GRIMSBY
Gordon Hannah, Prop.

CONTINUATIONS

From Page One

COUNTY COUNCIL

Beamsville, which saw the negotiations and successful start of the St. Catharines-Lincoln County Health Unit for public health.

Presenting his final report yesterday, Reeve Saunders said that the Health Unit will provide much

in the way of improvement in health conditions in the county. However, one aspect of health remained untouched—that of persons needing professional nursing service part-time. His committee felt, after discussing the V.O.N. with Miss Mary Ferguson, their national

office supervisor, that service of four V.O.N. nurses would fill the gap.

He reported that it was estimated the total cost for a year for four nurses would be \$12,000. No call is refused because of inability to pay, but patients are encouraged to pay \$1.00 per visit. Fees estimated to total \$3,500 a year would bring the net cost to the county down to \$8,500 a year. The nurses are all graduate nurses, who give care only under the supervision of the doctor. It was felt that persons now remain in hospitals following operations or during convalescence when they could go home and continue their convalescence under the care of the V.O.N. This would result in a saving to the patient.

"Your committee is impressed with the quality of service provided by the V.O.N. and is firmly of the opinion that such a service would be of very great advantage to the residents of the County of Lincoln," reported Reeve Saunders. "The service, we believe, would more than justify the expenditure required, and your committee recommends to the favorable consideration of the 1946 council the establishment of a part-time nursing service on a visiting basis for the residents of the county through the V.O.N."

Lincoln County and St. Catharines at the present time have no place in which to detain juveniles until they appear in court for trial. They can not be lodged in regular jails. Council agreed to enter into an agreement with the Bellevue Lodge Convalescent Home in St. Catharines to house such children at a cost of \$2.00 per day per child. Approval of the city and the Attorney-General must be obtained. The home would be used only for juveniles facing more serious charges; children held on minor offences are now detained in a foster home already established.

Harold Freure, Deputy- Reeve of Clinton Township, presented the report as chairman of the Charity and Welfare Committee after consultation with Lloyd Richardson, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society. He said that it was expected about 15 boys and girls a year would be detained in the new home. Some alterations will be required to make the detention room more secure, and the council approved this cost up to \$50.

The following grants were approved: \$2,000 to the St. Catharines General Hospital; \$1,000 to the West Lincoln Memorial Hospital; \$650 to the Navy League of Canada; and \$1,000 to the Lions British Child War Victims Fund.

Applications for pension to the Mother's Allowance and Old Age Pensions Board increased from 78 last year to 95 this year, reported Reeve Walter Sheppard, Niagara Township, a member of the Board. There were 14 applications for mothers' allowance, an increase of five; and two applications for blind pension, an increase of one. Since the Old Age Pension Act was passed in 1929, a total of 1582 persons have applied for it. Last March, he reported, Lincoln County was divided into three sections for the purposes of the Board, and one inspector covers one section so that applicants can be interviewed more quickly, and their cases disposed of more rapidly.

The report from Welland County

informing Lincoln of steps taken to open a home for chronically ill elderly people who are not in the category of inmates of county homes, was referred to the charity and welfare committee of next year's council. Welland proposed that a building at Fort Erie be used for the whole peninsula for those elderly people requiring homes, and at the same time needing a certain amount of medical care.

RECOMMEND THAT

im recommendation:

1. Pier 50' long about 200' west of Parker Pier.
2. Pier 50' long about 400' east of Parker Pier.
3. Partial closing of the three shoreward openings of the Grimsby Beach port pier.

Piers 1 and 2 would be 50' long, 8' wide, made of timber and stone filled, and brought to elevation 250. It would be advisable next spring to place on the top a 12" paving of concrete. Also, one or more piers 9 x 12 would be built to extend these piers to make a permeable groin.

The closing of the openings of the Grimsby Beach pier can be done by placing, in the openings, timber cribs, stone filled, 10' wide, brought to 8' below present water. In the first opening the crib would be 6' shorter than the opening and thus have 3' opening at each end. The second would be 10' shorter than the opening. The third would be 14' shorter than the opening.

Several types of permeable groins are being used in combination with solid groins in Lake Ontario and Lake Erie, and it is anticipated that further study will recommend such construction in the coming season.

We have contacted the Lake Shore Protective Association and this work recommended will be valuable in solution of the larger undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,

OLD APPLE MAN

with Winston Churchill in Africa and has several personal and intimate letters from the war time premier, as well as from other prominent army and parliamentary men.

We print below Mr. Richardson's farewell message to his many friends in Grimsby:

"By the kind permission of the Editor for space in his paper as I am about to leave Grimsby at the age of over 80 years, to go back to my native home at Brighton, England, I wish to thank the many kind people I have had to know here for their kindness to me, both as customers and friends also, especially since I lost my wife and son who died last February while working clearing snow. I shall always remember the help and sympathy shown me by such a lot of the inhabitants both rich and poor alike. I never knew I had so many kind friends here. Dozens have stopped me in the street to say good-bye and say Bon Voyage."

"I now feel I should like to end the evening of my life with my few relations that are left there in England, whom I have not seen for nearly forty years, and they are begging for me to come home forever. But I feel it is like leaving home here. I have been here for twenty-six years. What I feel hurts

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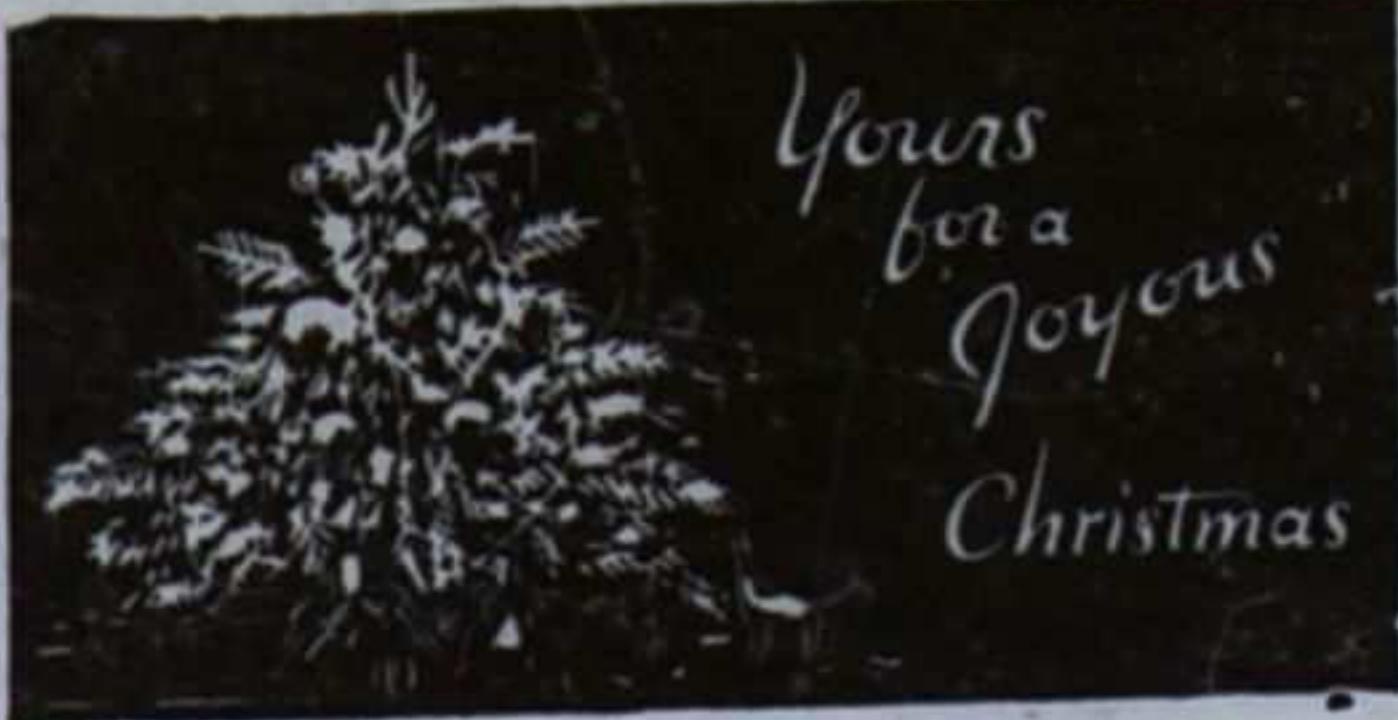
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DECEMBER 24th, 25th, 26th.



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Wed., Dec. 26
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New Year's Eve. Frolic

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THE ROXY THEATRE GRIMSBY - ONTARIO

me most is the thoughts of leaving my dear wife and son down at Queen's Lawn Cemetery, but they will live in my heart for ever."

I am going back to my native land Far away over the sea

Back to the home of my childhood

Where there's a welcome for me.

Many years have passed and gone

Since I left my native shore

May God speed the vessel that carries me back

To my dear old home once more.

Again thanking you all for your kindness,"

John W. Richardson.

"They are not dead unless I forget them."

DECENTRALIZE POLICE

spor on the request. Members of committee are Reeves Roy A.

Saunders, Beamsville; Robert M.

Johnston, Port Dalhousie; W. L.

Patterson, Niagara-on-the-Lake;

Walter Sheppard, Niagara Township, and William Heaslip, Gainsboro.

The annual report of the Board

of Governors of the county home

was submitted by the chairman of

the board, Reeve George Wiley,

Louth Township. It revealed that

the number of patient days at the

home this year totalled 20,851

compared with 19,390 last year, an

increase of 1,461 inmate days.

There were 5,113 more meals served

this year than last year. The

board had hired a new cook, who

prepared more desserts for the

elderly people. More green vegeta-

bles were purchased for the heal-

one of the season's big grossers unless we miss our guess. Fred MacMurray, a 4F disappointed because he is unable to join the armed forces, seeks out a magician. The latter, Gene Sheldon, rubs his magic lamp and in fantasy

MacMurray is transported back into past events of historic importance with quite humorous results.

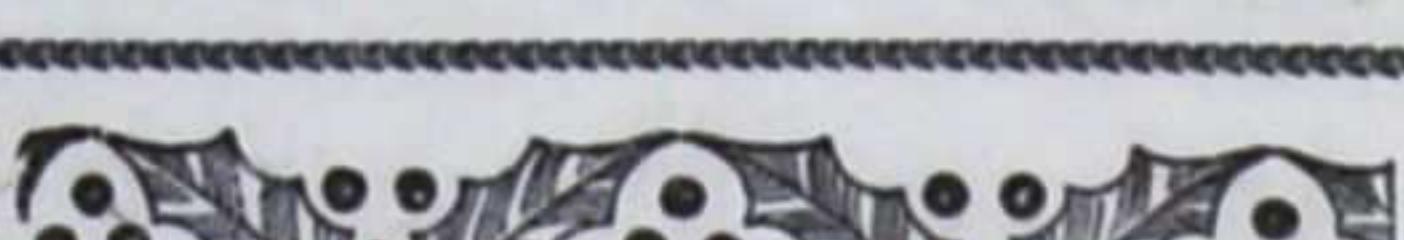
June Haver and Joan Leslie, as the

flirt and the real love interest, re-

spectively, are tops. Everyone in

the production end rates many bows."

A woman's Christmas shopping list is something which seems to be longer than hubby's long green.



At this happy Season we wish to thank the friends who have favoured us with their patronage. May our future relations ever reflect the good fellowship of the Christmas Season.

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Township of
NORTH GRIMSBY
NOMINATION
MEETING

A meeting of the Ratepayers of the Township of North Grimsby will be held on Monday, December 31st, 1945, at 1 o'clock p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town of Grimsby, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of Reeve, Deputy Reeve and three Councillors for the Council of North Grimsby for the year 1946.

At the same time a meeting of the Ratepayers in Township School Area No. 1 will be held for the purpose of nominating 5 candidates for the office of School Trustee in the Township School Area No. 1, Township of North Grimsby for the year 1946.

If more than enough candidates accept nomination to fill the various offices, the meeting will be adjourned and an election will be held on Monday, January 7th, 1946.

T. W. Allan,
Returning Officer.



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Hamper Baldwin Apples; 3rd
Prize—1 6-qt. Basket Talman
Sweets; 4th Prize—1 6-qt. Bas-
ket Talman Sweets; 5th Prize—
1 6-qt. Basket Talman Sweets;
6th Prize—1 6-qt. Basket Tal-
man Sweet.

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BREVITIES

EVENTS and TOPICS
of the WEEK in
TABLOID

Merry Christmas

Buy Christmas seals.

Beverage rooms will be closed on
Christmas Day.

Post Office will be closed all day
Christmas Day.

Schools close for the Christmas
holidays on Friday.

Rushton's Restaurant will be
closed on Christmas Day.

Tomorrow is the first day of
Winter and the shortest day in the
year.

No skating at the Arena, Christ-
mas Eve, Christmas Day or New
Year's Day.

There will be no milk delivery
in Grimsby on Christmas and
New Year's days.

If you have Christmas visitors
tell us. If you go away for Christ-
mas let us know.

Watch The Independent next
week for particulars of the big
New Year's Frolic at the Roxy
theatre.

Bourne's Men's Wear store will
close on Christmas Eve at eight
o'clock and will be closed Boxing
Day.

At the annual meeting of the
Lincoln County Plowmen's As-
sociation, Peter Marlowe of
North Grimsby was re-elected
Secretary-Treasurer.

Listed in the Ontario Gazette, of
Saturday, Dec 1, 1945, among the
appointments is the name of Sid-
ney James Wilson of the Village of
Beamsville, to be a Notary Public
and for the County of Lincoln.

As the Men's Bowling league is
out of action Christmas and New
Year's week, there will be open
bowling at the Bowlaway on Mon-
day and Wednesday of Christmas
week and Monday, New Year's day
and Wednesday of New Year's
week.

Lions Club Children's Christmas
Theatre Party, will be held at the
Roxy theatre on Friday, December
28th. There will be two shows, at
10 a.m. and two p.m. Tickets will
be distributed to the kids at the
schools today and tomorrow.

The Independent erred last week
when we stated that Pte. E. Suther-
land just returned from overseas,
had a wife and that she resided
with Basil and Mrs. Smith, 78
Main east. He is not married. But
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Suther-
land reside with Mr. Smith.

Archie J. Haines, Jordan, is vice-
chairman of the Niagara Falls
bridge commission, operators of the
Rainbow Bridge. Mr. Haines was
elected at the annual meeting
which named Alexander L. Porter,
Niagara Falls, N.Y., to the chair-
manship of the commission.

A Children's Party will be given
by the Canadian Legion in the
Masonic Hall on December 26th at
7 p.m., to all children of ex-serv-
icemen and their parents. Those
who plan to attend should notify
Comrade G. Warner of the number
of children they will bring so that
due provision can be made.

Servicemen Home
For Christmas

Returning home this week, just
in time to sit around the festive
season turkey table, were four
Grimsby servicemen.

Lieut. T. E. Jarvis, L-Bdr A. M.
Markey and Gnr. W. H. Martin of
Grimsby Beach, were with the 43rd
Battalion, R.C.A. of Guelph.

L.A.C. Wm. Wheeler, R.C.A. F.

son of Wm. and Mrs. Wheeler, also

arrived after service in India as

well as Egypt and Europe.

CONTINUATIONS

From Page One

UNMARRIED MOTHER

to meet her problem squarely
and is able to return to normal
community living after her child
is born. In certain cases adoption
of the child is the only solution,
but in others the mother has been
able to make some other arrangement
for her child, and eventually
establishes a wholesome family
unit. Great care is taken to protect
the interests of the adopting
parents as well as the child.

Miss Estelle Cuffe, chairman of
the Protection committee, made a
report on their recommendations
which involved the application
for wardship in the case of three
families. One family of four is
being cared for temporarily pending
the mother's release from hospital.
The father has deserted in this
case, and cannot be found although
a summons has been issued for his
appearance in court. Plans are being
made for assistance to be given to this
mother and her children through the local
Women's Institute so that her
family may be established with
her.

The superintendent reported on
the current cases during the month
of November. There are at present
230 children in care with 14 ad-
missions made during November.
One family of three children all
under four years of age were made
wards because of desertion of the
mother while the father was over-
seas. The mother has been located,
and is being prosecuted. One boy
has been admitted from the juve-
nile court, and has been placed in a
foster home rather than being com-
mitted to a training school.

Plans are being made for an
active program next year, and it
is hoped that a health committee
composed of volunteers may ar-
range for the clinics and medical
attention for every child in care.

NEW HOSPITAL

ty and referred to other county
institutions, which made Lincoln
County the leader in the matter of
the care of the welfare of its
people.

In accepting the key, Miss Mac-
Robbie stated she realized the re-
sponsibility she accepted and would
carry out her duties, praying for
Divine help and guidance.

The visitors were invited to sign
a Guest Book, in charge of Mrs.
Cudney, Winona and Mrs. Hod-
kins, Smithville, about 400 signing
but due to the rush, many were
unable to get near.

Quite a group of Hamilton
physicians, surgeons and hospital
staffs inspected the hospital during
the afternoon, expressing their
delight and interest.

Attracting much attention were
the X-Ray and Operating rooms,
set up to care for many highway
accidents and which can handle all
X-Ray cases and minor surgery.

The specially equipped Nursery
donated by Mr. Leonard Eames of
Hamilton, is described by the Medical
profession as "extremely modern."
each baby having an enclosed
cubicle, only the nurses are
allowed into the room, the proud
fathers being content to look in at
the window.

The Private rooms and wards
were much admired because of the
beautiful blending of colors in
chintzes, walls and furniture, the
decorating committee headed by
Mrs. G. D. Wade, Mrs. C. Shafer
Mrs. Wm. Hewson and Mrs. Ken-
nedy did an excellent job making
the whole effect homelike and
cheerful rather than institutional.

The Wards, the longest of which
is four beds, are all provided with
curtains whereby each bed can be
made private or thrown open.

The Ladies' Auxiliary were com-
plimented on the well filled shelves
of linen, which represented a trem-
endous lot of work, also very
large gifts from Beamsville and
Smithville of linen, blankets, hot
water bags and many other hos-
pital supplies.

Mrs. H. Whyte and Mrs. R.
Saunders of the maintenance com-
mittee arranged for refinishing
silver once used by the Golf Club,
so that now it sparkles like new.

Also the nurses' living room has
been made attractive by gifts in-
cluding a table lamp from Mrs. H.
L. Roberts, and table and tea
waggon from Mrs. Jas McIntosh.

Tea was provided by the Ladies'
Auxiliary and organized by Mrs.
C. McArthur of Beamsville and
Mrs. Jas Walker, Grimsby, with
assistants representing all the Wo-
men's organizations as well as the
Ways and Means Committee and
the Decorating committee.

Those who poured tea were Mrs. Leonard
Eames, Mrs. Roy Saunders, Mrs.
W. R. Boehm, Mrs. F. Sutherland,
Mrs. Reid and Mrs. J. H. MacMillan,
all Directors' wives, with the ex-
ception of Mrs. Eames. The
wives of members of the Medical
Council assisted in welcoming
guests and showing them in to the
tea room, which was beautifully
decorated by the flower committee.

Complete furnishings for sev-
eral rooms were donated, some as
memorials, the donors being Brig-
adier and Mrs. Armand Smith,
Winona; Reeve and Mrs. R. A.
Saunders, Beamsville; Mrs. J. B.
Stallwood, Beamsville, in memory
of her husband, the late Dr. Stall-
wood; Mrs. J. L. Woods, Beam-

ville, in memory of her husband;
Ezra Thomas, Grimsby, in memory
of his wife; James Stivers, in
memory of Mr. and Mrs. George
Robertson, Beamsville; Sam Seig-
el, Grimsby Beach, in memory of
his daughter. Unfortunately there
were not enough rooms to go
around for organizations and in-
dividuals, but this will be taken
care of in the record of Founders.
P.S. Who thanks Coles' Florists
and The Village Inn for flowers?
The board of the Auxiliary?

Grimsby Weather

Week ending at 8 a.m., Monday,
December 17.

Highest temperature 32.5

Lowest temperature 3.7

Mean temperature 22.1

Precipitation 0.15 inches

Obituary

JOHN HILTS

As a result of injuries sustained
in a fall at his home on Saturday
evening, John Wesley Hiltz, re-
tired North Grimsby township
farmer, died Monday in his 84th
year.

Deceased was born in Caistor
and came to North Grimsby 51
years ago where he farmed for a
great many years up till his re-
tirement some years ago.

He was a member of Trinity
United Church and of the C.O.O.P.

Surviving, besides his wife, the
former Francella Merritt, are four
sons and three daughters, Marcus
and Gordon, of Grimsby; Lorne, of
North Tonawanda; Cecil, of Fort
Dalhousie; Mrs. William Furier,
Caistor Centre; Mrs. Harry Clark,
Grimsby, and Mrs. Edward Walker,
Melissa; also a brother Joseph
Hiltz Merritt, 13 grand-children,
five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted
from the Stonehouse Funeral
Home on Wednesday afternoon,
Rev. W. J. Watt officiating. Inter-
ment being in Queen's Lawn Cemetery.

Casket bearers were his four
sons and two sons-in-law, Edward
Walker and Wm. Furier.

The Arena, which many of the
High School students have been
enjoying themselves on lately, will be
open during the holidays on
Monday, Thursday and Friday
from two to four in the afternoon.

The holidays officially begin
December 22 and end Jan 3, school
closing on Friday and opening two
weeks later on Thursday, but accord-
ing to some students the holidays
have been going on all this
week!

This should be in plenty of time
for Christmas, so there's no ex-
change or refund if the coming
feast of Steven isn't run off in lov-
ing harmony. Better clip this and
give it to father now. According to

Quality You'll Enjoy

"SALADA"
TEA

joint (in one piece) by grasping
the drumstick with the left
hand and pulling it toward you
while slicing downward.

4th Hold the drumstick with the
left hand and sever the thigh
just above the round bone.

5th With fork firmly astride the
breastbone carve the breast with
full downward strokes away
from you.

NOTICE

On And After
JANUARY 5th

Our places of business will close
every Saturday night at
NINE O'CLOCK

CURRENT & BETZNER
JOHNSON'S HARDWARE



GROCERY FEATURES

Gilchrist Dark Rich

Fruit Cake

Approx. 1-lb.

45c

Approx. 2-lbs.

2-lb. 90c

Richmello Coloured Finest